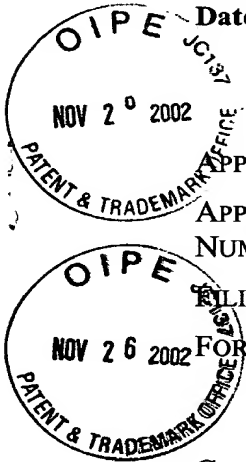


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the September 26, 2002, Final Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before November 26, 2002. A check in the amount of \$55.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Attorney Ref. No. 19705-010. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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